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Annual Small Grain Summary

Iowa: Oats – Iowa's 2011 planted oat acreage, at 120,000 acres, is one-third lower than the 180,000 acres planted last year. Oat acreage harvested for grain, at 50,000 acres, is nearly 29 percent lower than last year. Iowa's 2011 oat yield, at 65.0 bushels per acre, is 3 bushels per acre above 2010. Iowa's oat grain production, at 3,250,000 bushels, is 25 percent lower than last year.

Winter Wheat – Iowa's 2011 winter wheat acreage harvested for grain, at 16,000 acres, is 6,000 acres higher than last year. The yield is 45 bushels per acre, 1 bushel per acre below last year. The state's production, at 720,000 bushels, is 57 percent higher than the previous year.

United States: All wheat production totaled 2.01 billion bushels in 2011, down 9 percent from 2010. Grain area totaled 45.7 million acres, down 4 percent from the previous year. The United States yield is 43.9 bushels per acre, down 2.4 bushels from the previous year's record high but still ranks as the fifth highest on record. The levels of production and changes from 2010 by type are winter wheat, 1.49 billion bushels, up 1 percent; other spring wheat, 462 million bushels, down 25 percent; Durum wheat, 51.9 million bushels, down 51 percent.

Oat production is estimated at a record low 54.0 million bushels, down 33 percent from 2010. Yield is estimated at 57.5 bushels per acre, down 6.8 bushels from the previous year. Harvested area, at 940 thousand acres, is 26 percent below last year. This is the smallest acreage harvested for grain on record, surpassing the previous record low set in 2010.

September 2011 Production Summary - Iowa and United States

Crop	For Harvest		Yield per acre		Production	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
	Thousand Acres	Thousand Acres	Bushels	Bushels	Thousand Bushels	Thousand Bushels
IOWA						
Oats for Grain	70	50	62.0	65.0	4,340	3,250
Winter Wheat	10	16	46.0	45.0	460	720
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Oats for Grain	1,263	940	64.3	57.5	81,190	54,005
Wheat, All	47,619	45,715	46.3	43.9	2,206,916	2,008,039
Winter	31,741	32,314	46.8	46.2	1,484,861	1,493,677
Durum	2,519	1,322	42.1	39.3	106,080	51,889
Other Spring	13,359	12,079	46.1	38.3	615,975	462,473